



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT  
AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE  
PROPOSED McGRATH OIL SPILL RESTORATION PLAN PROJECT**

**Date:** March 29, 2005

**To:** Whom It May Concern

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has directed the preparation of and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** McGrath State Beach, Ventura County, California

**DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT:** This project consists of the adoption of the McGrath State Beach Area Berry Petroleum Oil Spill Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment (Restoration Plan/EA) by the state trustee agencies (California Department of Parks & Recreation and California Department of Fish & Game). The Restoration Plan/EA describes actions to be taken to compensate for damage to natural resources caused by an oil spill in the McGrath Lake area in late 1993. These actions include the acquisition of land or conservation easements, habitat enhancement, and public education projects.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, beginning March 30, 2005. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Valerie Watt at (805) 585-1852 or by email at [vwatt@parks.ca.gov](mailto:vwatt@parks.ca.gov).

Your views and comments on this project are welcomed. Written comments should be submitted no later than April 29, 2005 to the following address:

Channel Coast District  
911 San Pedro Street  
Ventura, CA 93001  
Attn: Valerie Watt  
Fax (805) 585-1857

Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed at the following locations during normal business hours:

California Department of Parks & Recreation  
Channel Coast District  
911 San Pedro Street  
Ventura, California

Foster Public Library  
651 E. Main Street  
Ventura, California

City of Oxnard Main Library  
251 South A Street  
Oxnard, California

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